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REMARKS

The Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (copy attached) indicates that the Preliminary Amendment submitted on June 16, 2006 fails to meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Applicant hereby submits an "Amendments to the Claims" section in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 in which the new claims are not underlined.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, Applicant invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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